Probe in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

4644. SHRI NEGENDRA NATH OJHA:

SHRI GAYA SINGH:

SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government, at the behest of the Central Vigilance Commission, had ordered a probe into alleged irregularities in the affairs of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan by the end of 2000/ beginning of 2001;
- (b) if so, the details of the alleged irregularities, the officer involved, the officer nominated to undertake the probe, the terms of reference etc.,
 - (c) the details of the outcome of the probe; and
 - (d) the follow-up action taken/contemplated in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) On receipt of a reference from Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) in this connection, Government had ordered an enquiry by a retired Joint Secretary into the irregularities allegedly committed in the award of work regarding recruitment of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to EDCIL. The enquiry officer has submitted his report and the same is under examination in consultation with CVC.

Revised outlook in Education System

4645. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering a proposal to introduce a revised outlook in the entire educational system in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) the response received from various State Governments and

autonomous Institutions of higher learning and research, on the subject?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986, based on an in-depth review of the educational situation and a national consensus, has laid down a comprehensive framework that continues to guide the development of education in its entirety.

Educational development is a continuous process. Constant efforts are made, from time to time, in consultation with State Governments and other stakeholders, and several measures taken to bring about improvements in the system to meet the emerging challenges. Several National Resource Organisations like the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA), National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), University Grants Commission (UGC), National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) etc. lend their expertise and advice on educational development.

Participation of NCC in earthquake relief measures

4646. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government found participation of NCC satisfactory in assisting in relief measures in the recent earthquake in Gujarat and are considering to include training of NCC in the courses and training of students in all NCC training centres, to meet the requirement for national calamities; and
- (b) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government, in coordination and consultation with State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.